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Applicant: Gina FISCHER et al.

Title: MORPHINE CONTROLLED RELEASE SYSTEM

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows: